

MINUTES

MASSACHUSETTS AFL/CIO

AUGUST 18, 1988

STORROWTOWN TAVERN, W. SPRINGFIELD, MA

PRESENT: Pres. Osborn, Sec./Treas. Haynes, Vice Presidents Abdow, Alman, Butler, Chigas, Chirillo, Ciejka, Collins, Dart, Farmer, Irvin, Joyce, Kerr, Leahy, LeBlanc, Olivierre, Romano, Simmons, Thomas, Cardinal

ABSENT: Ex. V.P. Lydon (ub), Evers (vac), Faherty (vac), Vice Presidents Burke, Conley, DëRosa (ub), Devlin (ub), Ferin, Ferris Foley (ub), Kämel, Lima, Mahar, McDevitt, Mills, Mullane, Phinney, Thompson, Walsh, Williams

Meeting opened with a paryer by V.P. Ciejka.

Pres. Osborn swore in Giro Cardinal as a new Vice President of the Massachusetts AFL/CIO.

Pres. Osborn introduced Jim Roosevelt, Maureen Garde and Phil Stanley from the Democratic State Committee.

Maureen Garde thanked the Council for the opportunity to address them. She discussed the National Convention in Atlanta. At the Caucus Meetings it was felt that we will not win the presidential election unless we win Massachusetts. The polls before the Convention were 51% Dukakis and 37% Bush. According to local pollsters, these percentages are still holding. We cannot haVe a 51% vote in this state. The Democratic party in conjunction with the Democratic National Committee are charged with the duty of running a coordinated campaign for the entire Democratic ticket and referendum. They have their own funding mechanism through their own federal and state accounts to ensure winning the whole democratic ticket and referendum questions. She further discusse~~d~~ the resources - how the volunteers would be asked to go to other New England States - how to use the volunteers, telephone, people who will knock on doors, people who will leaflet - so that everyone will be working together not doing the same thing. She stated that Jim Roosevelt would be discussing legal questions. Several labor unions have asked what they can do or cannot do with their money. Phil Stanley is the Dukakis/ Benson State Coordinator in Massachusetts and will discuss the general plan what the campaign wants to accomplish in Massachusetts in conjunction with the State party.

Phil Stanley stated that a variety of things would be done - a grass-roots effort. He discussed the activities:

- Phone banks - four counties would be targeted. Essex, Middlesex, Worcester and Berkshire - they will target the Reagan Democrats. Their goal is to accomplish 1.2 million voter contacts in 2½ months. They will need 155 phones running 7 days a week.
- Voter registration - this will be a very aggressive effort.
- Leaflet program

- Visibility - people holding signs.
- Staff - staffing the regional offices around the state.
- Volunteers to other states - Bill Correto, Constituency office will be contacting labor unions for help. (voter registration and leafletting. This program will begin late Sept./Oct.
- Get out the vote operation - voter contact by phone, visibility and door to door contact. (This will begin 7 to 10 days before the election.)

V.P. Chirillo stated that on election day the Building Trades will be taking it as a vacation day - approximately 20,000 hard hats will be at polling places.

Pres. Osborn stated that they have a strategy that has not been coordinated yet.

J. Roosevelt said that they would work together with us on this effort. He further stated that he thought that a general election should be a holiday as it is in European countries - this would solve voter turnout in this country. He stated that we are working together in this common cause. He thanked Pres. Osborn and Sec./Treas. Haynes for the invitation. He further mentioned the enthusiasm that was generated from the Convention in Atlanta as opposed to what went on at the Republican Convention. How unhappy they were. He further mentioned the great opportunity we having working for Dukakis and for Lloyd Benson and also the opportunity we have running against Bush and Quayles. Having Quayles on the ticket is an achievement because he gives us the specific votes to draw the contrast. He was the one of the leaders in the Senate against plant closing legislation. To take advantages of these opportunities we have to be able to pay for the kind of effort that Repulicans have always been able to pay for.

There are three ways that the Presidential Campaign is paid for because there is no longer a Dukakis for President Committee after the the Convention is over. It is paid for by the Democratic National Committee and the Democratic State Committee. The Dukakis Campaign has reached its cap. Now the campaign is paid for in three ways:

- Public funds
- Money raised by the Democratic National Comt.
- Contributions to the State Committee throughout the country.

He further discussed the advantage to contributions to the Democratic State Committee. He said that they can throught the State Committee accept COPE/PAC and treasury funds. However, there are changes in the State Campaign Law in 1986-87. Massachusetts has never limited the amount of treasury contributions but the former Director and former legal counsel of the Office of Campaign and Politcal Finance issued a bulletin, not a law, their view of the law that limited any organization in Massachusetts not registered as a Pac to total contributions for all political purposes to 10% of their treasury. He has met with Alec Gray on challenging this limit. It is important to change and modify this.

He stated that he and Maureen Garde met with the new Director and New Legal Counsel of the Office for Campaign and Political Finance to push the effort of changing this. If this is not changed it will be hard for Labor to afford to support their coordinated effort and also support the Quality of Life Committee.

Pres. Osborn stated that he looked forward to working with the State Committee and only sees one problem which is phone banks and that he is sure of working through it.

Sec./Treas. Haynes asked phil Stanley if it should be a coordinated effort as far as the visibility with signs - elected officials/ballot question.

Phil Stanley stated that he thought it should be.

Sec./Treas. Haynes asked about fundraising - was the state party going to communicate with unions on what they can do so the membership can be notified.

Jim Roosevelt stated that this would be clarified within 10 days and will be going out for general circulation.

Dir. Foley clarified that when you are involved with federal candidates some PAC money is not voluntary contributions - you can get in trouble because you cannot support a federal candidate with that money. You have to make sure when a check is sent to state what it is for.

MMS to accept the minutes of the June Executive Council Meeting. So voted.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Pres. Osborn announced that the State has awarded us \$26,000 for the efforts of drug and alcohol abuse for the Massachusetts AFL/CIO awareness program through the Drug/Alcohol Committee. Information will be going out on this program. Pres. Osborn thanked John Laughlin, Chuck Monahan and Joe Joyce for their input.

The President advised that he has been meeting with the Shipyard Wkrs. and the Mass. Water Resource Authority and the Governors people as to what type of lease the shipyard will have. He further discussed that he will have to go back to the Governor and have him personally get involved again because his people are incapable of finishing this owner/operated opening of the shipyard. He stated that Levy is a hard man to deal with and maybe if the Governor gets personally involved the MWRA will stop playing games.

Pres. Osborn announced that two labor people had been appointed to Judgeships for the Wrks. Comp., Tom Evers and Bruc Ferin. Also two pro-Labor people, Helen Merachi from the Bricklayers and also Coleman from Labor Studies. The President further stated that he hoped that with the two judges we will be able to move on some of the backlog. Complaints have been made to the Governor and the Legislature regarding the cutbacks. We are not getting what was comitted to us - a delivery service. The unions and their representatives are angry - people are not being serviced because of these cutbacks. We are working with Assoc. Ind. in these efforts.

Pres. Osborn mentioned the good work of Rich Rogers on the Massachusetts AFL/CIO Special Friends Program and how successful this program is.

The President discussed the upcoming convention which will be a three day-non-constitutional convention and the Prevailing Wage struggle will be highlighted. Also, there will be workshops and some interesting programs.

The President mentioned the reception for Sec./Treas. Haynes as a tribute to him becoming a Trustee of the University of Massachusetts. He also mentioned the good work that V.P. Alman was doing on the Board of Regents.

Pres. Osborn stated that City Year which is a group much like the Peace Corp. for inner city kids.

The President went to the Bricklayers Convention and they are ready to fight for the Prevailing Wage fight. He also went to the Kennedy Comp.

Pres. Osborn mentioned the situation of modular homes, affordable housing and Bob Minicelli is running into problems with Amy Anthony's group. The President feels that this is a good thing and we are trying to work it through.

Pres. Osborn met with Gerry D'Avlio, lobbyist for the Catholic Church and Exec. Dir. for the Bishops Conference regarding the Prevailing Wage fight. The President wants regional people, central labor council and building trades councils to go forward with meetings to bring this issue to the Catholic Conference. We need the churches support.

The President asked support of the Vice Presidents in putting the bumper stickers on their cars so there will be good cross the state visibility. He further stated that this was a critical issue for all unions not just the building trades. The group that we are up against is campaigning with lies. We must get this to the public. The Sec. of States office is allowing them to put out their argument, a statement to all voters. The Pres. sent the office a letter as Chair of the Quality of Life Committee. They replied saying they cannot deny any side their argument. This is a Corporate, Anti-Union Busting effort here in Massachusetts. The Mass. AFL/CIO staff is working with every ounce of effort on this struggle. This is a priority.

The President attended the Teamster picnic and brought the Prevailing Wage message.

V.P. Alman questioned involvement of outside community groups.

The President mentioned the groups that were involved. They are: Mass. Assoc. of Older Americans, Mass. Citizens Action, Mass. Teachers Assoc., Pay Equity Coalition, Women in Construction, Coalition of Labor Women, Jewish Labor Committee, Nat'l. Org. for Women, Mass. Chapter, Mass. CAP., etc.

V.P. Farmer asked about the plans for the videos. He also said that he had heard that the ABC was going to have a big tv exposure prior to the election.

The President stated that the video is designed for internal campaign building. It should be used at the union hall. There is 80 out and 50 on order. Major monies should be put into tv coverage to match ABC's efforts. He stated that we have bought the last 15 baseball games. The tv channels are playing games. Channel 7 says, subject to change, that they will not do any referendum work. Chanel 5 and 4 will. However, they do not know when.

V.P. Collins raised the question on his concern about the ballot question on power plants. He stated that although the P/W question is very important we should not ignore the other question because if these plants colse, we have dues paying members that will be out of jobs. He further stated that something should be done about this ballot question also.

V.P. Joyce agreed with V.P. Collins and stated without adequate energy we should not ignore the importance of a total shut down. He also said, if there is a laser print out to labor unions in Massachusetts, they should include a message to oppose the total shut down of nuclear energy without alternative sources of energy.

V.P. Joyce asked if there was a letter from Friendly re: their being a member of ABC.

Pres. Osborn advised that he had a problem getting a letter from Friendly stating that they were not a member of ABC. He stated that they have been researched and it was found out that they were in financial difficulty and have been taken over. They called in reply to the letter send by the President aNd he requested a letter saying that they were not a member of ABC. They did say that they would send a letter but they would state the reason for being out is because of financial problems.

Pres. Osborn stated that we would use this letter to our advantage against ABC.

V.P. Chirillo discussed meetings with the utility companies in his area. He stated that they have spent 12 million dollars on advertising and they would like us to support this issue through our membership. He also said that he thought the videos were the greatest and they have had 100 more made.

V.P. Thomas was concerned that the state and federal employess were not aware of the importance of this issues since it will effect them also. She asked when literature would be going out to these unions so they can learn about this issue directly not indirectly.

Pres. Osborn advised that after Labor Day we will have the capability of getting out this information. We have a small team

working 14 hours a day. We are behind and are working with the resources we have. We do have a public employees piece and we do have an industrial worker piece. We are also working on a service employees and elderly piece. These are forthcoming.

V.P. Thomas state that people have come forward to Pres. Osborn and wanted to explain how this issue would effect their union like Janet Walker from the Federal Emp. and Janic Loxx from the HRW. and they were told to go through the committee.

Pres. Osborn said he never said that and that he only has encouraged Janet Walker. He would sit down with V.P. Thomas and Jane Walker and discuss this matter.

V.P. Romano explained a serious problem in Local 589 and asked for full support of the Council in getting Senate Bill 1812 which is before Public Services passed. This is strictly a Collective Bargaining Bill - the unions on the MBTA have no bargaining privileges. The Carmens union lost 400 jobs - 4 classifications through an act of the legislature passed in 1980 - Chapter 581. V.P. Romano further explained that Local 589 had Management Rights in their contract for 42 years and Collective Bargaining for 75 years and through this bill it was lost. They need help. There are 28 unions that work on the MBTA and a bill has been filed which is Senate 1812. (Literature passed out) They only thing 589 wants is collective rights - the right to bargain over the right to assignment and the right of part time help. V.P. Romano explained that there are 40% parttimers on the MBTA (no one gets hired unless they are part time). These part timers have no benefits. This bill is going to be very difficult to pass and 589 would like everyone to speak favorably on Senate Bill 1812.

V.P. Ollivierre stated that the public employees are having problems in Massachusetts with a deminishing of tax flow. He said that the fact is when you reduce union wages you reduce people ability to pay taxes. V.P. Ollivierre further advised that he has heard from his members that they are disillusioned with the current administration, but they are uncertain as to whether or not to back the Democratic ticket. He said Labor is under attack and we must stick together.

Pres. Osborn stated that he is bothered by the fact that their is never more than 50% attendance of the V.P.'s. What we don't see is participation. We must get out their an talk to our members stated the Pres. we have to link together in regard to all our problems.

V.P. Farmer disagreed with the Pres in his remarks about the Workers' Compensation system working better. He thinks that we are further behind, the back log is greater and adding up, lump sum payments agreed upon are not being paid, etc. He further stated that Workers' Comp. has been reformed but is still not working right. V.P. Farmer also commented on Sen. Michael LoPresti representing non-union developers before the Boston Baord of Appeals. This is a fact, LoPresti does represent non-union developers.

Pres. Osborn stated that his enthusiasm was limited to the appointment of the judges and he there are problems. He further stated that the matter of LoPresti would be discussed at the COPE meeting.

MMS To accept the President's report. So voted.

V.P. Simmons moved to reaffirm Brother Romano's request for support for Senate Bill 1812.

MMS to reaffirm support for MBTA's struggle - Senate 1812. So voted.

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT

Financial Reprot noted.

The Sec./Treas. reviewed the assets and disbursements and also the Voter Registration Fund. He also mentioned that the Pension Plan has a 0 balance of the 18th of August.

Sec./Treas. mentioned the activity in the office relative to our new computer system - we have been doing work with the Prevailing Wage Committee. Also, trying to get the entire financial operation onto the computer and we may change the affiliate system onto the computer which will give us more capability. Sec. Treas. Haynes stated that he has attended many speaking engagements on behalf of the Quality of Life and he is on the Finance Committee for the P/W issue. There is a major effort going on with the Building Trades. A budget of 2.3 million dollars has been set and we have approximately 900,000. The Sec./Treas. discussed the time he spent with the United Way. He further discussed the ongoing issue of the building and mentioned that the papers had been passed and that we were just waiting for the BRA to finalize. Another issue to be discussed was finances relative to management. He stated that he was not happy with the Bank of N.E. and that we are in the process of changing to U.S. Trust. We will consolidate our 13 accounts into 5.

V.P. Irvin questioned Sec./Treas. Haynes on his pension plan.

Sec./Treas. Haynes stated that the funds had been transferred from Local 7 in lieu of the Health and Welfare that he does not get at the AFL/CIO.

V.P. Farmer questioned banking with U.S. Trust. He stated that some of the building trades unions have been having trouble with them. He asked if we had considered the Carpenters bank.

Sec./Treas. Haynes mentioned that he would do business with U.S. Trust until we had trouble with them and the reason for not doing business with the Carpenters bank is because of the location. We do have some accounts with them.

V.P. Simmons stated that he is having trouble with U.S. Trust and is in the process of taking some of his funds out.

MMS to accept the Secretary/Treasurer's report. So voted.

EDUCATION REPORT

Secretary/Treasuer Haynes discussed the telecommunication contract at the U/Mass. After two years the contract was given to a company called Ericson. He stated that he would have liked AT&T to get the contract because they employ our people but they were not in the final pick. There are many protections for the labor movement in the contract at U/Mass. They will use union people to install the system.

Sec./Treas. Haynes discussed the ad book. He stated that it would be given out at the convention and that the proceeds would go to the Education, scholarships and retiree funds. He further discussed the report from the May 4th Education seminar. It will be given out at the Convention and there may be a workshop at the Convention.

MMS to accept Education Report. So voted.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Dir. Foley discussed legislation that was approved before the end of the session:

- Bill on Third Party Liability on Asbestos - the bill outlaws any third party releases.
- The request of Local 6 on behalf of the court stenographers who they represent.
- Modular Housing Bill

Dir. Foley further stated that there are a couple of other pieces of legislation pending, safety construction dealing with the elevators, Blue Laws and others. He stated that the legislature is schedule to come back on the 19th of September but he feels there will be no work done until after the election.

Dir. Foley stated that next years issue will be new taxes.

He stated there is a serious fiscal crisis in that the state has issued bonds indebted of 10 billion dollars in this state. Everyone believes there is a fiscal shortfal of hundreds of millions of dollars. We need a revenue package to reduce and deal with this issue. This would probably include sales tax and gaseoline tax. These taxes would be regressive and have a negative effect on our members.

MMS to accept the Legislative & COPE Report. So voted.

MMS to move communications to the Executive Officers. So voted.

Pres. Osborn announced that Joseph Joyce would be honored again. He would be the recipient of the Patrick Volpe Award. This message came from John O'Neil from the Boston Cement Masons union.

V.P. Romano thanked the members of the council for their support in Senate Bill 1812 and also mentioned the annual golf tournament. He stated that it was a sell out and he thanked those responsible.

MMS to adjourn. So voted.



AGENDA
MASSACHUSETTS AFL/CIO COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 18, 1988
STORROWTON TAVERN, WEST SPRINGFIELD, MA

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT

DEPARTMENT REPORTS - COPE & LEGISLATION - EDUCATION

SWEARING IN OF GIRO CARDINAL AS VICE PRESIDENT

GUESTS - REP. JIM ROOSEVELT AND MAUREEN GARDE, DEMOCRATIC STATE COMMITTEE
Steven Sullivan, Director Frontlash

From Cynthia Ward, Exec. Dir. for Massachusetts Citizen Action to Pres. Osborn thanking him for helping to make their first annual open house a success and also for the \$150 contribution.

From Charles Doyle to Pres. Osborn letting him know that he will not be seeking reelection to the House of Rep. but he will be seeking election to the position of the clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court.

From John Kelly, Pres. OPEIU, Int'l Union to Pres. Osborn re: a Resolution passed at their Exec. Bd. Mtg. in Boston. The Resolution is attached to letter.

From Barney Frank to Pres. Osborn & Marty Foley thanking them for the letter endorsing him.

From Frank Emspak to Pres. Osborn thanking him for support of their recent conference.

Memo from Ann Bray, ET Coordinator of Public Welfare to Pres. Osborn re: a draft copy of an update of the information about the joint apprenticeship programs that are registered with the Division of Apprentice Training.

From the New Hampshire Democratic Party to Pres. Osborn re: reasons for their optimism in winning in New Hampshire this year.

From Robert Correia, Majority Whip to the Massachusetts AFL/CIO thanking them for the generous support in his recent fundraiser.

From Gerry D'Amico to Pres. Osborn thanking him for helping to make the Commonwealth Literacy Campaign's Literacy Breakfast a great success.

From the AFL/CIO to the Presidents of the Pioneer Valley, Holyoke and Northampton CLC's re: consolidation of the three CLCs.

From Dick Courtney, Bus. Rep. UFCW Local 1459 thanking him for supporting candidacy for delegate to the Democratic National Convention.

From W. Paul White, State Rep. to Pres. Osborn thanking him for supporting House Bill 4981, an act relative to voter registration.

From Kenneth F. Flanagan, Bus. Mgr., IBEW L.U. 1228 to Pres. Osborn urging him to take effective action to remedy the misconceptions so that the anger expressed at Local 1228 can be calmed.

From Pat Largess, Don MacFarlane and Joanne Vacca to Pres. Osborn re: the debt that is owed Jim Green of U/Mass. Boston on the project "Resource Guide to Labor Education."

From Paul Eustace to Pres. Osborn thanking him for his testimony at the Takeover hearings.

Copy of a letter from Terry F. Pease, Int'l Assoc. of Mach. and Aerospace Wkrs. to James M. Shannon, Attorney General stating his dissatisfaction with his office pertaining to Guilford Trans.

From Secretary of Labor Eustace to Pres. Osborn stating his support and help in the campaign against repealing prevailing wage.

Copy of a letter from Michael Krawiec, Sec./Treas. Local 1368 AFSCME Rand Wilson, UPIU - Corporate Boycott telling him that they will be drawing all funds from the Bank of Boston in support of their labor struggle.

From Pres. McVey, Missouri State Labor Council to Pres. Osborn inviting him to attend the Fourteenth Biennial Convention.

From Christopher Trembly, Leg. Rep., Coalition of Rail Unions asking again for support in their struggle for a safe work environment re: Guilford Transportation Industries.

From Governor Dukakis to Pres. Osborn appointing him Vice Chair of the Advisory Council on Workers' Compensation until June 1990.

From Pres. Kirkland re: AFL/CIO Building Investment Trust - and information is attached.

Copy of a letter from Cheryl Gooding to Juliet Budney re: article about WILD which appeared in the Boston Globe.

From Governor Dukakis to Pres. Osborn and Sec./Treas. thanking them for their message of congratulations.

From Robert Sprague, Police Alliance of Boston, Inc. to Ann Weatherhead thanking the AFL/CIO for support in allowing the Alliance to present their 1988 Street Directory.

From Kitty Dukakis to Pres. Osborn and Sec./Treas. Haynes thanking them for the flower book sent during her stay in the hospital.

From Sec. of Labor Eustace to Pres. Osborn thanking him for his introduction at the luncheon at G-M-M Institute and also for the AFL/CIO's efforts to restore the ISP and Workplace Education programs.

From Peter Morin to the Massachusetts AFL/CIO thanking them for the contribution to his reception.

From Tom Belville, COPE Dir. of the Vermont State Labor Council to Pres. Osborn - a copy of the letter they sent to all their affiliates concerning the fight to keep prevailing wage.

From Patricia McGovern to Pres. Osborn thanking him for informing her of his views regarding FY 1989 Budget.

Copy of a letter from Dick Wilson, AFL/CIO re: non-compliance with his March 4th letter on consolidation.

Copy of a letter from Henry F. Vitale, Pres. of the Typographical Union Local 13 endorsing the Savings Bonds Program.

Note from Steve Day to Arthur re: matters due to Workers' Comp.

From Wayne G. Sharpe, Jr., President First Trade Union Savings Bank to Pres. Osborn thanking him for allowing them to address the G-M-M Institute.

From Mary Jane Gibson, Asst. Majority Whip re: the two court decisions upholding the Insurance Commissioner's power to regulate banning discrimination in insurance.

A Legislative Alert from the Aluminum, Brick and Glass Workers Int'l. Union re: legislation to increase the minimum wage to \$5.05 an hour the oppositions in Congress for this bill.

From the A. Philip Randolph Institute re: a tribute dinner in Washington commemorating their 25th anniversary - request for tickets in the way of a contribution.

From Joseph M. Cronin, Pres. of Mass Higher Education Assistance Corp. to Pres. Osborn re: the President's FY 1989 budget for the Dept. of Education's GSL program.

From Michael LoPresti to Pres. Osborn informing him that he did not represent non-union developers before the Board of Appeals.

From Cheryl Gooding, WILD Co-Coordinator thanking him for his presence at the opening night of this year's WILD Summer Institute.

From Joseph M. Cronin, Pres. of the Massachusetts Higher Education Assistance Corporation to Pres. Osborn re: a special meeting on July 28th to discuss the opportunity to buy 330 Stuart St.

Copy of a letter to Terry Pease, Int'l Assoc. of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Lodge 481 from Attorney General Shannon responding to their letter re: serious problems at Guilford Trans. Ind.

From Joseph D. Early, Member of Congress to Pres. Osborn thanking him for endorsing his candidacy for re-election.

From Janet C. Walker, Pres. of AFGE Local 1164 re: a copy of the proposed Prevailing Wage Law which he lent to her.

From W. Paul White to Pres. Osborn thanking him and the Mass. AFL/CIO for their endorsement to his campaign for State Senate.

From George J. Bourque, State Rep. to Pres. Osborn thanking him and the membership for their endorsement of his candidacy for re-election.

From Rep. Raymond A. Jordan, Chairman for the Massachusetts Black Legislative Caucus to Pres. Osborn thanking him for serving as a panelist for the MBLC Prevailing Wage Conf.

From Senator Doris to Pres. Osborn and Marty Foley thanking them for their endorsement for his re-election.

From Athan "Soco" Catjakis to Pres. Osborn thanking him and the membership for his re-election.

From Cheryl Gooding and the WILD Steering Committee to Pres. Osborn thanking him and the entire staff for all the help in making the WILD Summer Institute a great success.

From Marilyn L. Travinski, State Rep. to Pres. Osborn thanking him for the endorsement of her re-election.

From Paul E. Kane, Sec./Treas. of Machinists to Pres. Osborn informing him that Edward F. Burke, Jr. has been elected President of the Mass. State Council of Machinists.

Eleanor Myerson, Vice Chair Committee on Public Service to Pres. Osborn thanking him and the members of the Mass. AFL/CIO Committee on Political Education for endorsing her candidacy.

From James A. Velis, Dir Corporate Public Affairs, Friendly Ice Cream Corp. to Pres. Osborn explaining that they were a member of A.B.C. but for economic reasons are no longer.

Memo from Giro Cardinal to Pres. Osborn & Sec./Treas. Haynes Re: meeting with Industrial services Program.

Copy of a letter from Giro Cardinal to Suzanne Teegarten re: the hiring of workforce people to staff and the possibility of this being illegal.

Harry Hubbard, Pres. Texas AFL/CIO to Pres. Osborn supporting Lloyd Bentsen as a candidate for Vice President of the U.S.

From Arnold Mayer, Int'l V.P. of UFCW to Pres. Osborn thanking him for his help in getting Gov. Dukakis to speak by satellite and their convention and Senator Lloyd Bentsen to appear in person.

From Rep. Thomas P. Kennedy to Pres. Osborn thanking him for his letter of endorsement for re-election of the 9th Plymouth District.

From Patricia McGovern, Chairwoman Senate Committee on Ways and Means to Pres. Osborn thanking him for the information on views re: the FY 1989 budget appropriation for the Department of Industrial Accidents.

From Rep. Michael Morrissey to Pres. Osborn thanking him and the Massachusetts AFL/CIO COPE for endorsing him for his candidacy for state rep. of the first Norfolk District.

Memo to all financial contributors to Labor News and Commentary re: Pre Publication shareholders meeting.

From Joseph P. Kennedy II to Pres. Osborn thanking him and the membership for their endorsement.

From Rep. Anthony M. Madile to Pres. Osborn thanking him for the endorsement for his re-election.

Copy of a letter from Kenneth F. Flanagan Business Manager of IBEW Local 1228 to Stephen G. Crawford, Deputy Press Secretary of the Executive Dept. of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts supplying him with the names of two broadcasting firms that have letter of agreement with NABET L.U. 15 and one with IBEW L.U. 1228. This information is for further Dukakis broadcasts.

Copy of a letter from Rep. David P. Magnani to Philip Wolf, President Int'l Fed. of Professional and Technical Engineers L.U. 151 thanking him for the letter regarding the special language in the Governor's supplementary budget which would authorize the MWRA to lease with an option buy a portion of the Quincy Shipyard for the purpose of ship repair and other maritime purposes.

Communications between Pres. Osborn, Atty. Bob Manning and Reg. Dir. Myers on a recent court case - Commonwealth vs. Morash.

Flyer: Action Bulletin for Human and Trade Union Rights.

From Robert Schwartz, Sp. Asst. to the Gov. for Educational Affairs to Pres. Osborn response from the Gov. on recent letter on the Senate President's Open Enrollment proposal.

Copy of a letter sent to the Affiliates from the Joseph Joyce, Exec. Sec./Treas. of the Gr. Boston CLC in support of Senate President William Bulger.

From James Cassidy, President, Peabody Teachers to Pres. Osborn re: possible strike action in the City of Peabody and a request for support.

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS MEETING
AUGUST 2, 1988

PRESENT: PRES. OSBORN, SEC./TREAS. HAYNES, EXEC. V.P.'S LYDON
AND FAHERTY

ABSENT: EXEC. V.P. EVERE

MMS TO SEND A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE MASSACHUSETTS SENIOR ACTION COUNCILS 1988 SUPPORT BOOK. SO VOTED.

MMS TO SEND \$100 CONTRIBUTION TO HEAVEN'S CHILDREN AD BOOK. SO VOTED.

MMS TO HAVE PRES. OSBORN NOMINATED FOR MEMBERSHIP ON THE ADVISORY COUNCIL OF THE BREAD & ROSES HERITAGE COMMITTEE. SO VOTED.

MMS TO RAISE THE REGISTRATION FEE FOR THE CONVENTION TO \$60.00. SO VOTED.

MMS TO ENDORSE THE ORGANIZATION CITY YEAR. SO VOTED.

MMS TO PURCHASE THE BOOK "PARENTAL LEAVE CRISIS". SO VOTED.

REQUEST FROM THE VIRGINIA STATE AFL/CIO RE: PURCHASING TICKETS OR AD FOR THEIR SILVER ANNIVERSARY - FILED.

MMS TO HANDLE THE SAME AS LAST YEAR ON THE ANNUAL LABOR DAY BREAKFAST. SO VOTED.

MMS TO CONTRIBUTE THE SAME AS LAST YEAR TO THE FOURTH ANNUAL BREAD & ROSES LABOR DAY HERITAGE FESTIVAL. SO VOTED.

LOUIE MANDARINI'S REQUEST TO DONATE TO "HEAVEN'S CHILDREN WAS VOTED ON - \$100 WILL BE SENT TO THIS ORGANIZATION.

MMS TO CHECK OUT IF IT IS OK TO BUY TWO TICKETS FOR THE LATIN AMERICAN ADVANCEMENT'S SEVENTH NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING DINNER DANCE. SO VOTED.

MMS TO SEND PRES. OSBORN TO THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING IN WASHINGTON ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24. SO VOTED.

THE REQUEST FROM ANN BACHMAN TO TAKE AN AD IN THE LABOR DAY ISSUE OF DEMOCRATIC LEFT - FILED.

THE REQUEST FROM THE MASSACHUSETTS RESPIRATORY HOSP. TO PURCHASE TICKETS FOR A TESTIMONIAL RECEPTION HONORING RICHARD OVERBOLT M.D. - FILED.

MMS TO TAKE AN AD IN THE IBEW OF GREATER NEW BEDFORD AND CAPE COD AREA SOUVENIR BOOKLET IF THEY SUPPORT OUR AD BOOK. SO VOTED.

MMS TO WHAT HAS BEEN DONE IN THE PAST FOR THE USO COUNCIL OF NEW ENGLAND, INC. SO VOTED.

MMS TO PURCHASE A TABLE FOR THE COPE RETIREE PROGRAM 3RD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT SECOND REUNION PARTY. MONEY SHOULD BE TAKEN FROM EDUCATION COMMITTEE. SO VOTED.

MMS TO SEND RICH ROGERS TO THE COPE REGIONAL MEETING IN NEW YORK. SO VOTED.

MMS TO ACCEPT THE UPDATED DRAFT OF THE PENSION TRUST. SO VOTED.

MMS FOR ARTHUR TO HANDLE AND COORDINATE FUNDING WITH BARBARA LOATMAN RE: DRUG AND ALCOHOL INTERVENTION SERVICES. SO VOTED.

MMS TO REFER CORRESPONDENCE FROM UNITED LABOR COUNCIL OF FALL RIVER TO THE QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE. SO VOTED.

MMS TO REFER TO PRES. OSBORN THE LETTER FROM BOB MANNING RE: AMICUS BRIEF IN THE HORSEMEN'S BENEVOLENT CASE. SO VOTED.

DISCUSSION ON MASSACHUSETTS HEALTH DATA CONSORTIUM, INC. RE: MASS. AFL/CIO BECOMING MEMBERS - NOT FINANCIALLY ABLE.

MMS TO ENCOURAGE THE NATIONAL TO GIVE STEVEN SULLIVAN A RAISE. SO VOTED.

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS DISCUSSED THE CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE UNITED PAPERWORKERS' AT THEIR 8/2 MEETING.

MMS FOR PRES. OSBORN BE ON THE DINNER COMMITTEE FOR THE TRIBUTE TO BERNARD CARDINAL LAW. SO VOTED.

MMS TO REFER LETTER FROM DENIS LAWRENCE, STATE REP. TO MARTY FOLEY. SO VOTED.

MMS TO BUY 100 TICKETS (\$150.00) FOR THE UNITED LABOR COUNCIL OF GREATER FALL RIVER'S LABOR DAY ACTIVITY. SO VOTED.

MMS TO SEND BRONWEN ZWIRNER A LETTER RE: HER REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE EDUCATION FOUNDATION AT WGBH - THEY SHOULD SEEK MEMBERSHIP WITH THE NATIONAL OR THE INTERNATIONAL. SO VOTED.

MASSACHUSETTS AFL/CIO COUNCIL
FINANCIAL REPORT
JULY 1988

GENERAL FUND:	CREDITS:	DEBITS:
ON HAND 7/1/88	\$75,816.98	
RECEIPTS - JULY	80,008.23	
DISBURSMENTS - GENERAL		\$44,321.90
DISBURSMENTS - PAYROLL		29,258.36
BALANCE 7/31/88	\$82,244.95	

PER-CAPITA TAX RECEIVED ON 214,245 MEMBERS

GENERAL FUND:

1. OFFICERS EXPENSES (PRESIDENT)	199.57
2. OFFICERS EXPENSES (SEC-TREAS.)	547.78
3. EXECUTIVE BOARD EXPENSES	913.89
4. TELEPHONES	1,570.31
5. OFFICE EXPENSES	379.05
6. OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,111.32
7. BOSTON EDISON	106.46
8. PRINTING	932.70
9. POSTAGE	1,500.00
10. AUTO EXPENSES	600.86
11. CONFERENCES & CONVENTIONS	153.91
12. BLUE CROSS, BLUE SHIELD	3,125.35
13. DELTA DENTAL	367.68
14. RENT	2,500.00
15. 1988 CONVENTION	3,099.46
16. OFFICE EQUIPMENT	1,010.06
17. ADP PAYROLL SERVICE	96.00
18. PENSION FUND TRANSFER	10,000.00
19. 2¢ PER-CAPITA TO COPE	4,131.70
20. DISABILITY INSURANCE	590.31
21. PENSION FUND (LU 7-HAYNES)	3,380.00
22. FRONTFLASH	1,027.93
23. MESSENGER SERVICE	33.80
24. STAFF EXPENSES	25.74
25. MEETINGS/LUNCHEONS ETC.	1,250.50
26. US TRUST (TO OPEN PAYROLL ACC.)	1,000.00
27. CREDIT UNION	4,024.60
28. LIFE INSURANCE	171.70
29. MISC...	471.22

\$44,321.90

ASSETS:

BOSTON SAFE DEPOSIT -----	\$7,406.69
MONEY MARKET -----	4,568.23
ISRAEL BOND -----	1,000.00
DEPT. OF LABOR -----	400.00
PETTY CASH -----	100.00

\$13,474.92

JULY 1988 - CONTINUED

<u>VOTER REGISTRATION:</u>	<u>CREDITS:</u>	<u>DEBITS:</u>
ON HAND 7/1/88	\$34,379.03	
DEPOSITS :	4,131.70	
<u>DISBURSEMENTS:</u>		
1. CONFERENCES & CONVENTIONS	300.00	
2. DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION	366.00	
3. DATA PROCESSING	77.07	
4. DONATIONS/TICKETS	100.00	
5. LHS ASSOCIATES	6,000.00	
6. STAFF EXPENSES	95.15	
		\$ 6,938.22

BALANCE 7/31/88----\$31,572.51

PENSION PLAN:

ON HAND 7/1/88	\$12,686.06
DEPOSITS JULY	10,000.00
BALANCE 7/31/88	\$22,686.06

TO: Executive Council, MA AFL-CIO
FROM: Martin V. Foley, Director
RE: Legislative & COPE Report
DATE: August 18, 1988

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

The summer session has been extremely quiet with little to no movement in the Legislature. We have had two bills signed into law though.

One is on ASBESTOS - this bill outlaws the practice of requiring asbestos workers to sign releases before beginning a job. These releases were aimed at removing third party liability - the hiring group would claim no responsibility or liability for the removal or encapsulation procedure. Now these third party releases are not allowed.

Another bill that was signed recently is the COURT STENOGRAHERS bill which increased the amount of pay per page for court stenographers working in the state court system. We worked on this bill at the request of OPEIU Local #6. This will bring the pay into line with that paid in federal courts. Local 6 has worked unsuccessfully for several years on this bill.

The bill on SAFETY IN CONSTRUCTION, which provides the Department of Labor & Industries with the power to investigate safety conditions and safety devices in elevators, has moved through the House and is now in the Senate awaiting action. This bill is sponsored by IUEO Local 4 - Edward Sullivan.

COPE REPORT

As in any election year, COPE has been extremely busy over the past several months. Political campaigns are won or lost during the summer over nuts and bolts preparation. The MA AFL-CIO COPE staff has been laying the groundwork for a successful primary and general election campaign cycle.

At this time, meetings on logistical support have either taken place or are scheduled for the following candidates facing opposition in the September 15th primary: Senate President William Bulger; Senator Royal Bolling, Sr.; Senator Francis Doris and Senator Arthur Lewis. Candidates for the House of Representatives whom we are supporting include John Granara - 38th Middlesex; Patricia Toland - 2nd Norfolk and John Stabile - 37th Middlesex. A direct mail program is being designed and implemented by Rich Rogers that will reach approximately 40,000 AFL-CIO members on behalf of the candidates mentioned above.

In addition, Representative Daniel Bosley from the 1st Berkshire has been targeted for support in his general election battle. Other seats may be added to this list and targeted after the primary.

COPE is also working on a day to day basis on the "Quality of Life" campaign. Assistance in developing tactics and strategies and streamlining the field operation are among the tasks that we are performing to assist the efforts to retain the prevailing wage law.

Our voter registration program, which is under way in the public and industrial sectors, is also a COPE priority. We hope to expand participation beyond the current level and to involve all of Massachusetts' labor in this important effort.



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